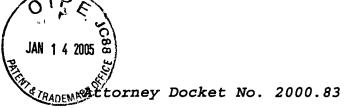
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Dear Sir:

This Response is being filed in reply to the Office Action dated January 10, 2005 and supplements the Amendment filed on November 24, 2004 in response to the official action of September 29, 2004.

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